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**SENATE**

MONDAY, May 4, 2009

The Senate met at 1 p.m., Eastern Daylight Saving Time.

The PRESIDENT (Lieutenant Governor Joseph B. Scarnati III) in the Chair.

**PRAYER**

The Chaplain, Rabbi SOLOMON ISAACSON, of Congregation Beth Solomon Synagogue, Philadelphia, offered the following prayer:

Good afternoon, ladies and gentlemen. I know I have not done it, and I think it is just an oversight, but I would like to say a prayer for those who are sick in our Commonwealth, and especially now with what is going on, I think we need that prayer.

May He who blessed our forefathers, Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, Moses, Aaron, David, and Solomon, may He bless all those who are sick. And in reward for this, may the Holy One, blessed be He, be filled with compassion for them, to restore them their health, to heal them, to strengthen them, and to revive them, and may He send them, speedily, a complete recovery from heaven. For the 248 organs and the 365 blood vessels, may He bless them among all the other sick people of the entire country. And let us say amen.

*(Translation from Hebrew:)*

May He who blessed our forefathers, Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, may He bless the Armed Forces of the United States of America, the Army, the Navy, the Air Force, and the Marines, who stand guard over our land, and wherever they may be. May Hashem, the Almighty, cause the enemies who rise up against us to be struck down before them. May the Holy One, blessed is He, preserve and rescue our fighting men from every trouble and distress and from every plague and illness. May He send blessing and success in their every endeavor.

May He lead our enemies under their sway. May He adorn them with the crown of salvation and with the diadem of triumph. May there be fulfilled for them the verse, for it is Hashem, your God, who goes with you to battle your enemies for you and to save you. Amen.

*(Translation from Hebrew:)*

May He who grants salvation to kings and dominion to rulers, whose kingdom is a kingdom spanning all eternities, who releases David, his servant, from the evil sword, who places a road in the sea and a path in the mighty waters, may He bless, safeguard, preserve, help, exalt, make great, extol, and raise high our

beloved President and Vice President, our Governor, and all Members of the Senate and all those who serve them.

The King who reigns over kings in His mercy, may He sustain them and protect them from every trouble, woe, and injury. May He rescue them. May He gather peoples under their sway and cause their enemies to fall before them. Wherever they turn, may they succeed. The King who reigns over kings in His mercy, may He put into their hearts, and into the hearts of all of their counselors and officials, compassion to do good with us, and with all the people of our great Commonwealth and our country. In their days, so may it be His will. And let us say amen.

The PRESIDENT. The Chair thanks Rabbi Isaacson, who is the guest today of Senator Stack.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

(The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by those assembled.)

**COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE GOVERNOR**

**NOMINATIONS REFERRED TO COMMITTEE**

The PRESIDENT laid before the Senate the following communications in writing from His Excellency, the Governor of the Commonwealth, which were read as follows and referred to the Committee on Rules and Executive Nominations:

**MEMBER OF THE COUNCIL OF TRUSTEES  
OF CLARION UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA  
OF THE STATE SYSTEM OF HIGHER EDUCATION**

April 29, 2009

To the Honorable, the Senate  
of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania:

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Syed R. Ali-Zaidi, Ph.D., 509 Ridgewood Road, Apartment 6, Shippenville 16254, Clarion County, Twenty-first Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the Council of Trustees of Clarion University of Pennsylvania of the State System of Higher Education, to serve until the third Tuesday of January 2015, and until his successor is appointed and qualified.

EDWARD G. RENDELL  
Governor

**MEMBER OF THE COUNCIL OF TRUSTEES  
OF CLARION UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA  
OF THE STATE SYSTEM OF HIGHER EDUCATION**

April 29, 2009

To the Honorable, the Senate  
of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania:

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Susanne A. Burns, PO Box 626, Clarion 16214, Clarion County, Twenty-first Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the Council of Trustees of Clarion University of Pennsylvania of the State System of Higher Education, to serve until the third Tuesday of January 2013, and until her successor is appointed and qualified.

EDWARD G. RENDELL  
Governor

MEMBER OF THE COUNCIL OF TRUSTEES  
OF CLARION UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA  
OF THE STATE SYSTEM OF HIGHER EDUCATION

April 29, 2009

To the Honorable, the Senate  
of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania:

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, The Honorable Ross C. Cioppa, 986 Illinois Avenue, Pittsburgh 15221, Allegheny County, Forty-third Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Council of Trustees of Clarion University of Pennsylvania of the State System of Higher Education, to serve until the third Tuesday of January 2013, and until his successor is appointed and qualified, vice Richard Kooman II, Shippenville, deceased.

EDWARD G. RENDELL  
Governor

MEMBER OF THE COUNCIL OF TRUSTEES  
OF CLARION UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA  
OF THE STATE SYSTEM OF HIGHER EDUCATION

April 29, 2009

To the Honorable, the Senate  
of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania:

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Joy "JD" Dunbar, 103 Atlee Circle, State College 16803, Centre County, Thirty-fourth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Council of Trustees of Clarion University of Pennsylvania of the State System of Higher Education, to serve until the third Tuesday of January 2013, and until her successor is appointed and qualified, vice Melvin Witherspoon, Erie, resigned.

EDWARD G. RENDELL  
Governor

MEMBER OF THE COUNCIL OF TRUSTEES  
OF CLARION UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA  
OF THE STATE SYSTEM OF HIGHER EDUCATION

April 29, 2009

To the Honorable, the Senate  
of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania:

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, R. Lee James, 114 West Second Street, Oil City 16301, Venango County, Twenty-first Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the Council of Trustees of Clarion University of Pennsylvania of the State System of Higher Education, to serve until the third Tuesday of January 2013, and until his successor is appointed and qualified.

EDWARD G. RENDELL  
Governor

MEMBER OF THE COUNCIL OF TRUSTEES  
OF CLARION UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA  
OF THE STATE SYSTEM OF HIGHER EDUCATION

April 29, 2009

To the Honorable, the Senate  
of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania:

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, James L. Kifer, 159 Long Lane East, Rimersburg 16248, Clarion County, Twenty-first Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the Council of Trustees of Clarion University of Pennsylvania of the State System of Higher Education, to serve until the third Tuesday of January 2015, and until his successor is appointed and qualified.

EDWARD G. RENDELL  
Governor

MEMBER OF THE COUNCIL OF TRUSTEES  
OF CLARION UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA  
OF THE STATE SYSTEM OF HIGHER EDUCATION

April 29, 2009

To the Honorable, the Senate  
of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania:

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Donna Oberlander, 44 West Main Street, Clarion 16214, Clarion County, Twenty-first Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Council of Trustees of Clarion University of Pennsylvania of the State System of Higher Education, to serve until the third Tuesday of January 2012, and until her successor is appointed and qualified, vice H. John Drayer, Templeton, whose term expired.

EDWARD G. RENDELL  
Governor

MEMBER OF THE COUNCIL OF TRUSTEES  
OF CLARION UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA  
OF THE STATE SYSTEM OF HIGHER EDUCATION

April 29, 2009

To the Honorable, the Senate  
of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania:

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Larry C. Pickett, 6961 Penn Avenue, Pittsburgh 15208, Allegheny County, Thirty-eighth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Council of Trustees of Clarion University of Pennsylvania of the State System of Higher Education, to serve until the third Tuesday of January 2012, and until his successor is appointed and qualified, vice Richard Hilinski, Erie, whose term expired.

EDWARD G. RENDELL  
Governor

MEMBER OF THE COUNCIL OF TRUSTEES  
OF CLARION UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA  
OF THE STATE SYSTEM OF HIGHER EDUCATION

April 29, 2009

To the Honorable, the Senate  
of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania:

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Howard H. Shreckengost, 406 Vine Street, New Bethlehem 16242, Clarion County, Twenty-first Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the Council of Trustees of Clarion University of Pennsylvania of the State System of Higher Education, to serve until the third Tuesday of January 2013, and until his successor is appointed and qualified.

EDWARD G. RENDELL  
Governor

MEMBER OF THE COUNCIL OF TRUSTEES  
OF CLARION UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA  
OF THE STATE SYSTEM OF HIGHER EDUCATION

April 29, 2009

To the Honorable, the Senate  
of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania:

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Jeffrey J. Szumigale, 511 Sidewood Drive, Erie 16505, Erie County, Forty-ninth Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the Council of Trustees of Clarion University of Pennsylvania of the State System of Higher Education, to serve until the third Tuesday of January 2015, and until his successor is appointed and qualified.

EDWARD G. RENDELL  
Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD  
OF VETERINARY MEDICINE

April 29, 2009

To the Honorable, the Senate  
of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania:

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Dr. Juanita McGhee Monteiro, 600 Coles Court, Harleysville 19438, Montgomery County, Twenty-fourth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Veterinary Medicine, to serve for a term of four years or until her successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice Thomas J. McGrath, Columbia, whose term expired.

EDWARD G. RENDELL  
Governor

MEMBER OF THE COUNCIL OF TRUSTEES OF  
KUTZTOWN UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA  
OF THE STATE SYSTEM OF HIGHER EDUCATION

April 30, 2009

To the Honorable, the Senate  
of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania:

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Charles T. Blocksidge, PhD, 222 Lakeside Drive, McKees Rocks 15136, Allegheny County, Forty-Second Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Council of Trustees of Kutztown University of Pennsylvania of the State System of Higher Education, to serve until the third Tuesday of January 2015, and until his successor is appointed and qualified, vice David Jones, Washington, DC, whose term expired.

EDWARD G. RENDELL  
Governor

MEMBER OF THE COUNCIL OF TRUSTEES OF  
KUTZTOWN UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA  
OF THE STATE SYSTEM OF HIGHER EDUCATION

April 30, 2009

To the Honorable, the Senate  
of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania:

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Dianne M. Lutz, 6463 West Penn Avenue, Wernersville 19565, Berks County, Forty-eighth Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the Council of Trustees of Kutztown University of Pennsylvania of the State System of Higher Education, to serve until the third Tuesday of January 2015, and until her successor is appointed and qualified.

EDWARD G. RENDELL  
Governor

MEMBER OF THE COUNCIL OF TRUSTEES OF  
KUTZTOWN UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA  
OF THE STATE SYSTEM OF HIGHER EDUCATION

April 30, 2009

To the Honorable, the Senate  
of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania:

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Richard L. Orwig, Esquire, 404 Lynne Avenue, Wyomissing 19610, Berks County, Forty-eighth Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the Council of Trustees of Kutztown University of Pennsylvania of the State System of Higher Education, to serve until the third Tuesday of January 2015, and until his successor is appointed and qualified.

EDWARD G. RENDELL  
Governor

MEMBER OF THE COUNCIL OF TRUSTEES OF  
KUTZTOWN UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA  
OF THE STATE SYSTEM OF HIGHER EDUCATION

April 30, 2009

To the Honorable, the Senate  
of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania:

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, John P. Wabby, 50 Bryn Mawr Avenue, Pottsville 17901, Schuylkill County, Twenty-ninth Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the Council of Trustees of Kutztown University of Pennsylvania of the State System of Higher Education, to serve until the third Tuesday of January 2015, and until his successor is appointed and qualified.

EDWARD G. RENDELL  
Governor

MEMBER OF THE COUNCIL OF TRUSTEES  
OF MANSFIELD UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA  
OF THE STATE SYSTEM OF HIGHER EDUCATION

April 30, 2009

To the Honorable, the Senate  
of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania:

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Charles Ike, 610 North Abington Road, Clarks Summit 18411, Lackawanna County, Twenty-second Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Council of Trustees of Mansfield University of Pennsylvania of the State System of Higher Education, to serve until the third Tuesday of January 2015, and until his successor is appointed and qualified, vice Robert O. Toombs, New Bern, North Carolina, resigned.

EDWARD G. RENDELL  
Governor

MEMBER OF THE COUNCIL OF TRUSTEES  
OF MANSFIELD UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA  
OF THE STATE SYSTEM OF HIGHER EDUCATION

April 30, 2009

To the Honorable, the Senate  
of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania:

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Ralph H. Meyer, 333 Fulton Street, South Waverly 18840, Bradford County, Twenty-third Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the Council of Trustees of Mansfield University of Pennsylvania of the State System of Higher Education, to serve until the third Tuesday of January 2015, and until his successor is appointed and qualified.

EDWARD G. RENDELL  
Governor

MEMBER OF THE COUNCIL OF TRUSTEES  
OF MANSFIELD UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA  
OF THE STATE SYSTEM OF HIGHER EDUCATION

April 30, 2009

To the Honorable, the Senate  
of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania:

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Robert D. Strohecker, O.D., 64 Prospect Street, Mansfield 16933, Tioga County, Twenty-fifth Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the Council of Trustees of Mansfield University of Pennsylvania of the State System of Higher Education, to serve until the third Tuesday of January 2015, and until his successor is appointed and qualified.

EDWARD G. RENDELL  
Governor

**RECALL COMMUNICATIONS  
REFERRED TO COMMITTEE**

The PRESIDENT laid before the Senate the following communications in writing from His Excellency, the Governor of the Commonwealth, which were read as follows and referred to the Committee on Rules and Executive Nominations:

MEMBER OF THE COUNCIL OF TRUSTEES  
OF CLARION UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA  
OF THE STATE SYSTEM OF HIGHER EDUCATION

April 29, 2009

To the Honorable, the Senate  
of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania:

In accordance with the power and authority vested in me as Governor of the Commonwealth, I do hereby recall my nomination dated February 26, 2009, for the appointment of B.J. Clark, 611 East Darby Road, Havertown 19083, Delaware County, Seventeenth Senatorial District, as a member of the Council of Trustees of Clarion University of Pennsylvania of the State System of Higher Education, to serve until the third Tuesday of January 2013, and until his successor is appointed and qualified, vice Richard Kooman II, Shipperville, deceased.

I respectfully request the return to me of the official message of nomination on the premises.

EDWARD G. RENDELL  
Governor

MEMBER OF THE COUNCIL OF TRUSTEES  
OF CLARION UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA  
OF THE STATE SYSTEM OF HIGHER EDUCATION

April 29, 2009

To the Honorable, the Senate  
of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania:

In accordance with the power and authority vested in me as Governor of the Commonwealth, I do hereby recall my nomination dated February 26, 2009, for the appointment of Stephanie Moore, R.R. 2, Box 397, Millerstown 17062, Juniata County, Thirty-fourth Senatorial District, as a member of the Council of Trustees of Clarion University of Pennsylvania of the State System of Higher Education, to serve until the third Tuesday of January 2013, and until her successor is appointed and qualified, vice Melvin Witherspoon, Erie, resigned.

I respectfully request the return to me of the official message of nomination on the premises.

EDWARD G. RENDELL  
Governor

MEMBER OF THE COUNCIL OF TRUSTEES  
OF MANSFIELD UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA  
OF THE STATE SYSTEM OF HIGHER EDUCATION

April 30, 2009

To the Honorable, the Senate  
of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania:

In accordance with the power and authority vested in me as Governor of the Commonwealth, I do hereby recall my nomination dated February 26, 2009, for the appointment of B.J. Clark, 611 East Darby Road, Havertown 19083, Delaware County, Seventeenth Senatorial District, as a member of the Council of Trustees of Mansfield University of Pennsylvania of the State System of Higher Education, to serve until the third Tuesday of January 2015, and until his successor is appointed and qualified, vice Robert O. Toombs, New Bern, North Carolina, resigned.

I respectfully request the return to me of the official message of nomination on the premises.

EDWARD G. RENDELL  
Governor

**HOUSE MESSAGES**

**HOUSE BILLS FOR CONCURRENCE**

The Clerk of the House of Representatives presented to the Senate the following bills for concurrence, which were referred to the committees indicated:

May 1, 2009

**HB 67** -- Committee on Transportation.

**HB 464** -- Committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure.

**HB 985** and **986** -- Committee on Banking and Insurance.

### BILLS INTRODUCED AND REFERRED

The PRESIDENT laid before the Senate the following Senate Bills numbered, entitled, and referred as follows, which were read by the Clerk:

April 30, 2009

Senators SCARNATI, PILEGGI, CORMAN, ORIE, WAUGH, ROBBINS, BROWNE, PIPPY, GORDNER, BRUBAKER, YAW, RAFFERTY, VANCE, M. WHITE, BAKER, ERICKSON, FOLMER, EARLL, VOGEL, BOSCOLA, STACK, FARNESE, FERLO, SMUCKER, TOMLINSON, WONDERLING, WARD, ALLOWAY, D. WHITE, EICHELBERGER, PICCOLA and GREENLEAF presented to the Chair **SB 10**, entitled:

An Act providing for the lapsing of legislative budget balances.

Which was committed to the Committee on APPROPRIATIONS, April 30, 2009.

May 1, 2009

Senators LOGAN, KASUNIC, KITCHEN, FOLMER, STOUT, MUSTO, FONTANA, STACK, BROWNE, FARNESE, ORIE, TARTAGLIONE, GORDNER, ALLOWAY, HUGHES, RAFFERTY, O'PAKE, BOSCOLA, COSTA, BRUBAKER, WILLIAMS and WAUGH presented to the Chair **SB 779**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 1 (General Provisions) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, providing for a statutory database and for legislative process.

Which was committed to the Committee on RULES AND EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS, May 1, 2009.

Senators LOGAN, KASUNIC, FOLMER, STOUT, MUSTO, FONTANA, FARNESE, TARTAGLIONE, WILLIAMS, HUGHES, RAFFERTY, O'PAKE, BOSCOLA and COSTA presented to the Chair **SB 780**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 1 (General Provisions) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, providing for legislative process.

Which was committed to the Committee on RULES AND EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS, May 1, 2009.

Senators LOGAN, KASUNIC, FOLMER, STOUT, MUSTO, FONTANA, STACK, BROWNE, FARNESE, TARTAGLIONE, WILLIAMS, HUGHES, RAFFERTY, O'PAKE, BOSCOLA, COSTA and WAUGH presented to the Chair **SB 781**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 1 (General Provisions) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, providing for legislative process.

Which was committed to the Committee on JUDICIARY, May 1, 2009.

Senators BOSCOLA, FONTANA, WASHINGTON, KITCHEN, FARNESE, FOLMER, ERICKSON, BRUBAKER, STOUT, BAKER and BROWNE presented to the Chair **SB 795**, entitled:

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, providing for a Legislative and Congressional Reapportionment Bureau for the purpose of reapportioning and redistricting the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, May 1, 2009.

Senators ALLOWAY, SCARNATI, BROWNE, FOLMER, ORIE, RAFFERTY, WOZNIAK, BOSCOLA, M. WHITE and FARNESE presented to the Chair **SB 813**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 4 (Amusements) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, providing for employment policies.

Which was committed to the Committee on COMMUNITY, ECONOMIC AND RECREATIONAL DEVELOPMENT, May 1, 2009.

Senators STACK, WILLIAMS, KITCHEN, STOUT, TARTAGLIONE, RAFFERTY, FERLO, BROWNE, KASUNIC, FONTANA, HUGHES, MUSTO, ERICKSON, LEACH, FARNESE, BOSCOLA, WARD and WASHINGTON presented to the Chair **SB 822**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of March 4, 1971 (P.L.6, No.2), known as the Tax Reform Code of 1971, authorizing a first responders tax credit for purposes of personal income tax.

Which was committed to the Committee on FINANCE, May 1, 2009.

Senators STACK, WILLIAMS, STOUT, TARTAGLIONE, FERLO, KASUNIC, FONTANA, HUGHES, FARNESE, COSTA, LOGAN, ORIE, BOSCOLA and WASHINGTON presented to the Chair **SB 823**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of June 28, 1935 (P.L.477, No.193), referred to as the Enforcement Officer Disability Benefits Law, extending the scope of the act to certain school police officers.

Which was committed to the Committee on LABOR AND INDUSTRY, May 1, 2009.

Senators STACK, MUSTO, RAFFERTY, FONTANA, BROWNE and WASHINGTON presented to the Chair **SB 824**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, further providing for patriotism, citizenship and human rights instruction.

Which was committed to the Committee on EDUCATION, May 1, 2009.

Senators STACK, RAFFERTY, BAKER, ERICKSON, O'PAKE, COSTA, FONTANA, MELLOW, WASHINGTON, LOGAN, WARD, BOSCOLA, WAUGH, PIPPY, ALLOWAY, D. WHITE and MUSTO presented to the Chair **SB 825**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 51 (Military Affairs) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in military leave of absence, further providing for educational leave of absence.

Which was committed to the Committee on VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS, May 1, 2009.

Senators ORIE, BROWNE, LOGAN, WASHINGTON, YAW and FONTANA presented to the Chair **SB 826**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for definitions, for penalties and for mandatory sentencing.

Which was committed to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION, May 1, 2009.

Senators ORIE, RAFFERTY, PILEGGI, ALLOWAY, WASHINGTON, WARD, ERICKSON, BROWNE, MUSTO, FONTANA, WOZNIAK and STACK presented to the Chair **SB 827**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for global positioning system technology.

Which was committed to the Committee on JUDICIARY, May 1, 2009.

Senators VOGEL, WARD, BAKER, ERICKSON, ORIE, WASHINGTON, FOLMER, PICCOLA, ALLOWAY, BROWNE, VANCE, PILEGGI, RAFFERTY, SCARNATI, PIPPY, WONDERLING, BOSCOLA, DINNIMAN, WAUGH and EARLL presented to the Chair **SB 828**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of May 23, 1945 (P.L.926, No.369), referred to as the Public Eating and Drinking Place Law, providing for applicability.

Which was committed to the Committee on AGRICULTURE AND RURAL AFFAIRS, May 1, 2009.

Senators WOZNIAK and FONTANA presented to the Chair **SB 831**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 4 (Amusements) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in licensees, further providing for Category 2 slot machine license.

Which was committed to the Committee on COMMUNITY, ECONOMIC AND RECREATIONAL DEVELOPMENT, May 1, 2009.

Senators WOZNIAK, M. WHITE, RAFFERTY, ORIE, WAUGH, FOLMER, ALLOWAY, VOGEL, EARLL, D. WHITE, BOSCOLA, WARD and KASUNIC presented to the Chair **SB 832**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of June 13, 1967 (P.L.31, No.21), known as the Public Welfare Code, providing for the screening for illegal drug use by certain applicants for assistance.

Which was committed to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH AND WELFARE, May 1, 2009.

Senators WOZNIAK, FOLMER, WASHINGTON, STACK and ALLOWAY presented to the Chair **SB 833**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, providing for the reorganization of school districts.

Which was committed to the Committee on EDUCATION, May 1, 2009.

Senators PICCOLA, DINNIMAN, ROBBINS, RAFFERTY, WAUGH, VANCE, BAKER, ALLOWAY, VOGEL and EARLL presented to the Chair **SB 834**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, providing for standards for programs leading to teacher certification.

Which was committed to the Committee on EDUCATION, May 1, 2009.

Senators WAUGH, ALLOWAY, BOSCOLA, BROWNE, FARNESE, FONTANA, LOGAN, McILHINNEY, MUSTO, RAFFERTY, STOUT and WASHINGTON presented to the Chair **SB 835**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for the offense of stalking.

Which was committed to the Committee on JUDICIARY, May 1, 2009.

Senators WAUGH, ALLOWAY, RAFFERTY and WASHINGTON presented to the Chair **SB 836**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 15 (Corporations and Unincorporated Associations) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for the payment of fair value of shares.

Which was committed to the Committee on JUDICIARY, May 1, 2009.

Senators WAUGH, ALLOWAY, BOSCOLA, FERLO, FONTANA, PILEGGI, RAFFERTY, STOUT, M. WHITE and WILLIAMS presented to the Chair **SB 837**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in financial responsibility, further providing for exclusion from benefits.

Which was committed to the Committee on BANKING AND INSURANCE, May 1, 2009.

Senators PILEGGI, M. WHITE, MUSTO, RAFFERTY, STOUT, ORIE, EARLL, GREENLEAF, VANCE, FERLO and WARD presented to the Chair **SB 838**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of June 3, 1937 (P.L.1333, No.320), known as the Pennsylvania Election Code, further providing for affidavit of circulator.

Which was committed to the Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, May 1, 2009.

Senators CORMAN, PILEGGI and SCARNATI presented to the Chair **SB 850**, entitled:

An Act to provide from the General Fund for the expenses of the Executive, Legislative and Judicial Departments of the Commonwealth, the public debt and the public schools for the fiscal year July 1, 2009, to June 30, 2010, for certain institutions and organizations, and for the payment of bills incurred and remaining unpaid at the close of the fiscal year ending June 30, 2009; to provide appropriations from the State Lottery Fund, the Energy Conservation and Assistance Fund, the Hazardous Material Response Fund, The State Stores Fund, the Milk Marketing Fund, the Home Investment Trust Fund, the Emergency

Medical Services Operating Fund, the Tuition Payment Fund, the Banking Department Fund, the Firearm Records Check Fund, the Ben Franklin Technology Development Authority Fund and the Tobacco Settlement Fund to the Executive Department; to provide appropriations from the Judicial Computer System Augmentation Account to the Judicial Department for the fiscal year July 1, 2009, to June 30, 2010; to provide appropriations from the Motor License Fund for the fiscal year July 1, 2009, to June 30, 2010, for the proper operation of the several departments of the Commonwealth and the Pennsylvania State Police authorized to spend Motor License Fund moneys; to provide for the appropriation of Federal funds to the Executive Department of the Commonwealth and for the payment of bills remaining unpaid at the close of the fiscal year ending June 30, 2009; to provide for the additional appropriation of Federal and State funds from the General Fund, from the State Lottery Fund and from the Tobacco Settlement Fund for the Executive Department of the Commonwealth for the fiscal year July 1, 2008 to June 30, 2009, and for the payment of bills incurred and remaining unpaid at the close of the fiscal year ending June 30, 2008; and making interfund transfers for the fiscal year July 1, 2008, to June 30, 2009.

Which was committed to the Committee on APPROPRIATIONS, May 1, 2009.

**RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED AND REFERRED**

The PRESIDENT laid before the Senate the following Senate Resolutions numbered, entitled, and referred as follows, which were read by the Clerk:

April 30, 2009

Senators BAKER, WAUGH, ORIE, PILEGGI, RAFFERTY, SCARNATI, FARNESE, DINNIMAN, BOSCOLA, BRUBAKER, COSTA, ERICKSON, FONTANA, GREENLEAF, LOGAN, PIPPY, STOUT, ROBBINS, KITCHEN, TARTAGLIONE, TOMLINSON, WASHINGTON, WONDERLING, KASUNIC, SMUCKER, ALLOWAY, EARLL, MUSTO, BROWNE, M. WHITE, WARD, VANCE, HUGHES, O'PAKE and STACK presented to the Chair **SR 108**, entitled:

A Resolution designating the week of May 17 through 23, 2009, as "Emergency Medical Services Week" in Pennsylvania and designating May 20, 2009, as "Emergency Medical Services Day for Children" in Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS, April 30, 2009.

May 1, 2009

Senators ORIE, KITCHEN, ALLOWAY, BAKER, BOSCOLA, BROWNE, BRUBAKER, DINNIMAN, EARLL, FARNESE, FERLO, FONTANA, GREENLEAF, HUGHES, KASUNIC, LEACH, LOGAN, MELLOW, MUSTO, O'PAKE, PIPPY, RAFFERTY, STACK, STOUT, TARTAGLIONE, WASHINGTON, WAUGH, M. WHITE, WILLIAMS and WONDERLING presented to the Chair **SR 99**, entitled:

A Concurrent Resolution directing the Joint State Government Commission to study the issue of workplace pay disparity, to reexamine existing Federal and State laws relating to that issue and to make recommendations to the General Assembly.

Which was committed to the Committee on LABOR AND INDUSTRY, May 1, 2009.

**APPOINTMENT BY THE MINORITY LEADER**

The PRESIDENT. The Chair wishes to announce the Minority Leader has made the following appointment:

Ms. Sharon Czabafy as a member of the Tobacco Use Prevention and Cessation Advisory Committee.

**LEGISLATIVE LEAVES**

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Delaware, Senator Pileggi.

Senator PILEGGI. Mr. President, I request a temporary Capitol leave for Senator Rafferty, and a legislative leave for Senator Tomlinson.

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Berks, Senator O'Pake.

Senator O'PAKE. Mr. President, I request a legislative leave for Senator Williams.

The PRESIDENT. Senator Pileggi requests a temporary Capitol leave for Senator Rafferty, and a legislative leave for Senator Tomlinson.

Senator O'Pake requests a legislative leave for Senator Williams.

Without objection, the leaves will be granted.

**LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

Senator PILEGGI asked and obtained a leave of absence for Senator D. WHITE, for today's Session, for personal reasons.

**SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS  
JOURNAL APPROVED**

The PRESIDENT. The Journal of the Session of April 27, 2009, is now in print.

The Clerk proceeded to read the Journal of the Session of April 27, 2009.

Senator PILEGGI. Mr. President, I move that further reading of the Journal be dispensed with and that the Journal be approved.

On the question,  
Will the Senate agree to the motion?

The yeas and nays were required by Senator PILEGGI and were as follows, viz:

YEA-49

Alloway	Ferlo	O'Pake	Vance
Argall	Folmer	Orie	Vogel
Baker	Fontana	Piccola	Ward
Boscola	Gordner	Pileggi	Washington
Browne	Greenleaf	Pippy	Waugh
Brubaker	Hughes	Rafferty	White, Mary Jo
Corman	Kasunic	Robbins	Williams
Costa	Kitchen	Scarnati	Wonderling
Dinniman	Leach	Smucker	Wozniak
Earll	Logan	Stack	Yaw
Eichelberger	McIlhinney	Stout	
Erickson	Mellow	Tartaglione	
Farnese	Musto	Tomlinson	

NAY-0

A majority of the Senators having voted "aye," the question was determined in the affirmative.

The PRESIDENT. The Journal is approved.

RECESS

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Delaware, Senator Pileggi.

Senator PILEGGI. Mr. President, I request a recess of the Senate for the purpose of a Republican caucus to be held in the Majority Caucus Room immediately. I expect the caucus to last at least 1 hour.

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Berks, Senator O'Pake.

Senator O'PAKE. Mr. President, I request that all Democrats report to our caucus room immediately.

The PRESIDENT. For purposes of Republican and Democratic caucuses, without objection, the Senate stands in recess.

AFTER RECESS

The PRESIDENT. The time of recess having expired, the Senate will come to order.

LEGISLATIVE LEAVES CANCELLED

The PRESIDENT. Senator Tomlinson and Senator Rafferty have returned, and their respective leaves are cancelled.

CALENDAR

THIRD CONSIDERATION CALENDAR

BILL ON THIRD CONSIDERATION AND FINAL PASSAGE

SB 54 (Pr. No. 39) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act authorizing the Department of General Services, with the approval of the Governor, to grant and convey to Susquehanna Township a pedestrian easement through certain lands situate in Susquehanna Township, Dauphin County.

Considered the third time and agreed to,

On the question, Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution and were as follows, viz:

YEA-49

Alloway	Ferlo	O'Pake	Vance
Argall	Folmer	Orie	Vogel
Baker	Fontana	Piccola	Ward
Boscola	Gordner	Pileggi	Washington
Browne	Greenleaf	Pippy	Waugh
Brubaker	Hughes	Rafferty	White, Mary Jo
Corman	Kasunic	Robbins	Williams
Costa	Kitchen	Scarnati	Wonderling
Dinniman	Leach	Smucker	Wozniak
Earll	Logan	Stack	Yaw
Eichelberger	McIlhinney	Stout	
Erickson	Mellow	Tartaglione	
Farnese	Musto	Tomlinson	

NAY-0

A constitutional majority of all the Senators having voted "aye," the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Secretary of the Senate present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

BILLS OVER IN ORDER

SB 380, SB 531 and SB 573 -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator PILEGGI.

BILLS ON THIRD CONSIDERATION AND FINAL PASSAGE

SB 731 (Pr. No. 826) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act designating Bushkill Drive, State Route 2019, Northampton County, as the Victor W. Anckaitis Memorial Highway.

Considered the third time and agreed to,

On the question, Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution and were as follows, viz:

YEA-49

Alloway	Ferlo	O'Pake	Vance
Argall	Folmer	Orie	Vogel
Baker	Fontana	Piccola	Ward
Boscola	Gordner	Pileggi	Washington
Browne	Greenleaf	Pippy	Waugh
Brubaker	Hughes	Rafferty	White, Mary Jo
Corman	Kasunic	Robbins	Williams
Costa	Kitchen	Scarnati	Wonderling
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Earll	Logan	Stack	Yaw
Eichelberger	McIlhinney	Stout	
Erickson	Mellow	Tartaglione	
Farnese	Musto	Tomlinson	

NAY-0

A constitutional majority of all the Senators having voted "aye," the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Secretary of the Senate present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

SB 817 (Pr. No. 896) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act authorizing the Department of General Services, with the approval of the Governor, to grant and convey to East Pennsboro Township or its assigns certain lands situate in East Pennsboro Township, Cumberland County; and authorizing the Department of General Services, with the approval of the Governor, to remove and release the residential use and subdivision restrictions imposed on certain lands situate in East Pennsboro Township, Cumberland County.

Considered the third time and agreed to,



On the question,  
Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution and were as follows, viz:

**YEA-49**

Alloway	Ferlo	O'Pake	Vance
Argall	Folmer	Orie	Vogel
Baker	Fontana	Piccola	Ward
Boscola	Gordner	Pileggi	Washington
Browne	Greenleaf	Pippy	Waugh
Brubaker	Hughes	Rafferty	White, Mary Jo
Corman	Kasunic	Robbins	Williams
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Earll	Logan	Stack	Yaw
Eichelberger	McIlhinney	Stout	
Erickson	Mellow	Tartaglione	
Farnese	Musto	Tomlinson	

**NAY-0**

A constitutional majority of all the Senators having voted "aye," the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Secretary of the Senate present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

**SECOND CONSIDERATION CALENDAR**

**BILL ON SECOND CONSIDERATION, AMENDED**

**SB 33 (Pr. No. 17)** -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of June 3, 1937 (P.L.1333, No.320), known as the Pennsylvania Election Code, further providing for restrictions on alteration of boundaries of election districts.

On the question,  
Will the Senate agree to the bill on second consideration?

Senator PILEGGI offered the following amendment No. A0997:

Amend Bill, page 3, by inserting between lines 10 and 11:

Section 2. To facilitate effective reapportionment and redistricting processes following the 2010 United States Census, no later than August 15, 2009, the Secretary of the Commonwealth shall submit to the United States Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, any corrections to municipal boundaries and election district boundaries as depicted on the maps maintained by the Bureau which may be necessary to conform the boundaries to the official municipal boundaries and election district boundaries of the Commonwealth. If the Secretary of the Commonwealth determines that no corrections are necessary, the secretary shall so notify the Majority Leader and the Minority Leader of the Senate and the Majority Leader and the Minority Leader of the House of Representatives.

Amend Bill, page 3, line 11, by striking out "2" and inserting:

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On the question,  
Will the Senate agree to the amendment?  
It was agreed to.

On the question,  
Will the Senate agree to the bill on second consideration, as amended?

It was agreed to.  
Ordered, To be printed on the Calendar for third consideration.

**BILLS OVER IN ORDER**

**SB 45 and SB 59** -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator PILEGGI.

**BILL REREFERRED**

**HB 92 (Pr. No. 1705)** -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Title 34 (Game) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in hunting and furtaking licenses, further providing for license costs and fees.

Upon motion of Senator PILEGGI, and agreed to by voice vote, the bill was rereferred to the Committee on Appropriations.

**BILL OVER IN ORDER**

**SB 101** -- Without objection, the bill was passed over in its order at the request of Senator PILEGGI.

**BILL AMENDED**

**SB 105 (Pr. No. 175)** -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act providing for the establishment of a searchable budget database-driven Internet website detailing certain information concerning taxpayer investments.

On the question,  
Will the Senate agree to the bill on second consideration?  
Senator BROWNE offered the following amendment No. A1026:

Amend Bill, page 1, line 3, by striking out "taxpayer investments" and inserting:

State expenditures

Amend Bill, page 2, lines 14 and 15, by striking out ", tax" in line 14 and "exemption or tax credit" in line 15 and inserting:

or any tax expenditure as defined in section 624 of the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.177, No.175), known as The Administrative Code of 1929

Amend Bill, page 3, lines 1 and 2, by striking out all of said lines  
Amend Bill, page 3, by inserting between lines 8 and 9:

"Treasury." The Treasury Department of the Commonwealth.

Amend Bill, page 3, line 10, by striking out "June" and inserting:  
October

Amend Bill, page 3, line 10, by striking out "secretary" and inserting:

treasury

Amend Bill, page 3, line 13, by striking out "2008-2009" and inserting:

2009-2010

Amend Bill, page 3, line 14, by striking out "secretary" and inserting:

treasury

Amend Bill, page 4, line 4, by striking out "secretary" and inserting:

treasury

Amend Bill, page 4, by inserting between lines 4 and 5:

(10) All budget implementation data described in section 620(a) of the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.177, No.175), known as The Administrative Code of 1929.

Amend Bill, page 4, by inserting between lines 13 and 14:

(d) Revenue reporting requirements.--

(1) The searchable budget database shall include weekly revenue reports for the General Fund and the Motor License Fund. The weekly revenue reports shall be prepared in a manner consistent with section 620(b) of the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.177, No.175), known as The Administrative Code of 1929. In addition to the requirements set forth in section 620(b) of The Administrative Code of 1929, the weekly revenue reports shall include a comparison of the actual collections of revenue with prior year actual collections for each week.

(2) Notwithstanding section 4(b) of this act, the weekly revenue reports shall be made available on the searchable budget database within three days after the immediately preceding week.

Amend Bill, page 4, line 15, by striking out "2009" and inserting: 2010

Amend Bill, page 4, line 22, by striking out "secretary" and inserting:

treasury

Amend Bill, page 4, line 26, by striking out "secretary" and inserting:

treasury

Amend Bill, page 5, line 3, by striking out "secretary" and inserting:

treasury

Amend Bill, page 5, line 4, by striking out "secretary" and inserting:

treasury

Amend Bill, page 5, line 8, by striking out "secretary" and inserting:

treasury

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Lehigh, Senator Browne.

Senator BROWNE. Mr. President, very briefly, the amendment makes the following changes to the bill. It moves the jurisdictions to establish the Internet database to the Treasury Department, includes monthly revenue reports to the content of the database, and changes the effective date from June 1 to October 1, 2009.

And the question recurring,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

Without objection, the bill, as amended, was passed over in its order at the request of Senator PILEGGI.

#### BILL OVER IN ORDER

**SB 110** -- Without objection, the bill was passed over in its order at the request of Senator PILEGGI.

#### BILL LAID ON THE TABLE

**SB 142 (Pr. No. 778)** -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of July 2, 1993 (P.L.345, No.48), entitled "An act empowering the General Counsel or his designee to issue subpoenas for certain licensing board activities; providing for hearing examiners in the Bureau of Professional and Occupational Affairs; providing additional powers to the Commissioner of Professional and Occupa-

tional Affairs; and further providing for civil penalties and license suspension," further providing for civil penalties; providing for confidentiality of information; and making related repeals.

Upon motion of Senator PILEGGI, and agreed to by voice vote, the bill was laid on the table.

#### SB 142 TAKEN FROM THE TABLE

Senator PILEGGI. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 142, Printer's No. 778, be taken from the table and placed on the Calendar.

The motion was agreed to by voice vote.

The PRESIDENT. The bill will be placed on the Calendar.

#### BILL OVER IN ORDER

**SB 143** -- Without objection, the bill was passed over in its order at the request of Senator PILEGGI.

#### BILLS REREFERRED

**SB 144 (Pr. No. 115)** -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of May 1, 1933 (P.L.103, No.69), known as The Second Class Township Code, in corporate powers, further providing for real property and for personal property; and, in contracts, further providing for letting contracts.

Upon motion of Senator PILEGGI, and agreed to by voice vote, the bill was rereferred to the Committee on Appropriations.

**SB 152 (Pr. No. 122)** -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in preliminary provisions, further providing for definitions; in special vehicles and pedestrians, providing for regulation and operation of neighborhood electric vehicles; and, in inspection of vehicles, further providing for operation of vehicle without official certificate of inspection.

Upon motion of Senator PILEGGI, and agreed to by voice vote, the bill was rereferred to the Committee on Appropriations.

**SB 167 (Pr. No. 137)** -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.177, No.175), known as The Administrative Code of 1929, further providing for fees chargeable by Department of State; and providing for a uniform form.

Upon motion of Senator PILEGGI, and agreed to by voice vote, the bill was rereferred to the Committee on Appropriations.

**SB 172 (Pr. No. 142)** -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of January 19, 1968 (1967 P.L.992, No.442), entitled, as amended, "An act authorizing the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the local government units thereof to preserve, acquire or hold land for open space uses," further providing for definitions and for local taxing options.

Upon motion of Senator PILEGGI, and agreed to by voice vote, the bill was rereferred to the Committee on Appropriations.

**HB 281 (Pr. No. 1536)** -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Title 34 (Game) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in hunting and furtaking, further providing for unlawful acts concerning licenses.

Upon motion of Senator PILEGGI, and agreed to by voice vote, the bill was rereferred to the Committee on Appropriations.

**SB 282 (Pr. No. 284)** -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Title 53 (Municipalities Generally) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in area government and intergovernmental cooperation, providing for agreements with municipal authorities; and further providing for review of agreement by Local Government Commission.

Upon motion of Senator PILEGGI, and agreed to by voice vote, the bill was rereferred to the Committee on Appropriations.

**SB 283 (Pr. No. 285)** -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.343, No.176), known as The Fiscal Code, in Local Government Capital Project Loan Fund provisions, further providing for assistance to municipalities and for ranking of applications.

Upon motion of Senator PILEGGI, and agreed to by voice vote, the bill was rereferred to the Committee on Appropriations.

**SB 284 (Pr. No. 286)** -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of July 31, 1968 (P.L.805, No.247), known as the Pennsylvania Municipalities Planning Code, further providing for implementation agreements.

Upon motion of Senator PILEGGI, and agreed to by voice vote, the bill was rereferred to the Committee on Appropriations.

**SB 301 (Pr. No. 300)** -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Title 30 (Fish) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for license fee for deployed Pennsylvania National Guard members and for resident license and fee exemptions.

Upon motion of Senator PILEGGI, and agreed to by voice vote, the bill was rereferred to the Committee on Appropriations.

**SB 302 (Pr. No. 301)** -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Title 34 (Game) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for resident license and fee exemptions for deployed Pennsylvania National Guard members.

Upon motion of Senator PILEGGI, and agreed to by voice vote, the bill was rereferred to the Committee on Appropriations.

#### BILL OVER IN ORDER

**SB 354** -- Without objection, the bill was passed over in its order at the request of Senator PILEGGI.

#### BILL ON SECOND CONSIDERATION

**SB 446 (Pr. No. 759)** -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of June 29, 1953 (P.L.304, No.66), known as the Vital Statistics Law of 1953, further providing for registration districts and local registrars' duties, for death and fetal death registrations and for reports.

Considered the second time and agreed to,  
Ordered, To be printed on the Calendar for third consideration.

#### BILLS REREFERRED

**SB 535 (Pr. No. 542)** -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Title 34 (Game) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for license requirements.

Upon motion of Senator PILEGGI, and agreed to by voice vote, the bill was rereferred to the Committee on Appropriations.

**SB 574 (Pr. No. 945)** -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Title 30 (Fish) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in special licenses and permits, further providing for Lake Erie fishing permits.

Upon motion of Senator PILEGGI, and agreed to by voice vote, the bill was rereferred to the Committee on Appropriations.

**HB 602 (Pr. No. 1153)** -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of May 1, 1933 (P.L.216, No.76), known as The Dental Law, further defining "expanded function dental assistant"; further providing for the State Board of Dentistry; and providing for scope of practice of expanded function dental assistant.

Upon motion of Senator PILEGGI, and agreed to by voice vote, the bill was rereferred to the Committee on Appropriations.

**SB 753 (Pr. No. 848)** -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of September 27, 1961 (P.L.1700, No.699), known as the Pharmacy Act, further providing for definitions; and providing for registration, qualifications and supervision of pharmacy technicians and pharmacy technician trainees.

Upon motion of Senator PILEGGI, and agreed to by voice vote, the bill was rereferred to the Committee on Appropriations.

**RECESS**

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Delaware, Senator Pileggi.

Senator PILEGGI. Mr. President, I request a recess of the Senate for the purpose of a meeting of the Committee on Rules and Executive Nominations to be held in the Rules room immediately.

The PRESIDENT. Senator Pileggi requests a recess of the Senate for the purpose of a meeting of the Committee on Rules and Executive Nominations to be held immediately in the Rules room. Without objection, the Senate stands in recess.

**AFTER RECESS**

The PRESIDENT. The time of recess having expired, the Senate will come to order.

**COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE GOVERNOR  
REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE ON RULES  
AND EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS**

Senator ROBBINS, from the Committee on Rules and Executive Nominations, reported communications from His Excellency, the Governor of the Commonwealth, recalling the following nominations, which were read by the Clerk as follows:

**MEMBER OF THE COUNCIL OF TRUSTEES  
OF CLARION UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA  
OF THE STATE SYSTEM OF HIGHER EDUCATION**

April 29, 2009

To the Honorable, the Senate  
of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania:

In accordance with the power and authority vested in me as Governor of the Commonwealth, I do hereby recall my nomination dated February 26, 2009, for the appointment of B.J. Clark, 611 East Darby Road, Havertown 19083, Delaware County, Seventeenth Senatorial District, as a member of the Council of Trustees of Clarion University of Pennsylvania of the State System of Higher Education, to serve until the third Tuesday of January 2013, and until his successor is appointed and qualified, vice Richard Kooman II, Shippenville, deceased.

I respectfully request the return to me of the official message of nomination on the premises.

EDWARD G. RENDELL  
Governor

**MEMBER OF THE COUNCIL OF TRUSTEES  
OF CLARION UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA  
OF THE STATE SYSTEM OF HIGHER EDUCATION**

April 29, 2009

To the Honorable, the Senate  
of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania:

In accordance with the power and authority vested in me as Governor of the Commonwealth, I do hereby recall my nomination dated February 26, 2009, for the appointment of Stephanie Moore, R.R. 2, Box 397, Millerstown 17062, Juniata County, Thirty-fourth Senatorial District, as a member of the Council of Trustees of Clarion University of Pennsylvania of the State System of Higher Education, to serve until the third Tuesday of January 2013, and until her successor is appointed and qualified, vice Melvin Witherspoon, Erie, resigned.

I respectfully request the return to me of the official message of nomination on the premises.

EDWARD G. RENDELL  
Governor

**MEMBER OF THE COUNCIL OF TRUSTEES  
OF MANSFIELD UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA  
OF THE STATE SYSTEM OF HIGHER EDUCATION**

April 30, 2009

To the Honorable, the Senate  
of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania:

In accordance with the power and authority vested in me as Governor of the Commonwealth, I do hereby recall my nomination dated February 26, 2009, for the appointment of B.J. Clark, 611 East Darby Road, Havertown 19083, Delaware County, Seventeenth Senatorial District, as a member of the Council of Trustees of Mansfield University of Pennsylvania of the State System of Higher Education, to serve until the third Tuesday of January 2015, and until his successor is appointed and qualified, vice Robert O. Toombs, New Bern, North Carolina, resigned.

I respectfully request the return to me of the official message of nomination on the premises.

EDWARD G. RENDELL  
Governor

**NOMINATIONS RETURNED TO THE GOVERNOR**

Senator ROBBINS. Mr. President, I request that the nominations just read by the Clerk be returned to His Excellency, the Governor.

A voice vote having been taken, the question was determined in the affirmative.

The PRESIDENT. The nominations will be returned to the Governor.

**REPORT FROM COMMITTEE ON RULES  
AND EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS**

Senator ROBBINS, from the Committee on Rules and Executive Nominations, reported the following nominations made by His Excellency, the Governor of the Commonwealth, which were read by the Clerk as follows:

**MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF ACCOUNTANCY**

February 3, 2009

To the Honorable, the Senate  
of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania:

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Dolly M. Lalvani, CPA, 6114 Forrestal Circle, Harrisburg 17112, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Accountancy, to serve for a term of four years and until her successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice Robert Ciaruffoli, Jr., Philadelphia, whose term expired.

EDWARD G. RENDELL  
Governor

MEMBER OF THE PENNSYLVANIA  
GAME COMMISSION

March 11, 2009

To the Honorable, the Senate  
of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania:

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, David J. Putnam (District 3), 168 Kenwalke Lane, Centre Hall 16828, Centre County, Thirty-fourth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Pennsylvania Game Commission, to serve for a term of eight years or until his successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice Russell E. Schleiden, Centre Hall, whose term expired.

EDWARD G. RENDELL  
Governor

MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF  
NORRISTOWN STATE HOSPITAL

February 10, 2009

To the Honorable, the Senate  
of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania:

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Nicholas Sacchetti, 813 Dover Road, Wynnewood 19096, Delaware County, Seventeenth Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the Board of Trustees of Norristown State Hospital, to serve until the third Tuesday of January 2015, and until his successor is appointed and qualified.

EDWARD G. RENDELL  
Governor

*NOMINATIONS LAID ON THE TABLE*

Senator ROBBINS. Mr. President, I request that the nominations just read by the Clerk be laid on the table.

The PRESIDENT. The nominations will be laid on the table.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS  
BILL REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE**

Senator CORMAN, from the Committee on Appropriations, reported the following bill:

**SB 850 (Pr. No. 953)**

An Act to provide from the General Fund for the expenses of the Executive, Legislative and Judicial Departments of the Commonwealth, the public debt and the public schools for the fiscal year July 1, 2009, to June 30, 2010, for certain institutions and organizations, and for the payment of bills incurred and remaining unpaid at the close of the fiscal year ending June 30, 2009; to provide appropriations from the State Lottery Fund, the Energy Conservation and Assistance Fund, the Hazardous Material Response Fund, The State Stores Fund, the Milk Marketing Fund, the Home Investment Trust Fund, the Emergency Medical Services Operating Fund, the Tuition Payment Fund, the Banking Department Fund, the Firearm Records Check Fund, the Ben Franklin Technology Development Authority Fund and the Tobacco Settlement Fund to the Executive Department; to provide appropriations from the Judicial Computer System Augmentation Account to the Judicial Department for the fiscal year July 1, 2009, to June 30, 2010; to provide appropriations from the Motor License Fund for the fiscal year July 1, 2009, to June 30, 2010, for the proper operation of the several depart-

ments of the Commonwealth and the Pennsylvania State Police authorized to spend Motor License Fund moneys; to provide for the appropriation of Federal funds to the Executive Department of the Commonwealth and for the payment of bills remaining unpaid at the close of the fiscal year ending June 30, 2009; to provide for the additional appropriation of Federal and State funds from the General Fund, from the State Lottery Fund and from the Tobacco Settlement Fund for the Executive Department of the Commonwealth for the fiscal year July 1, 2008 to June 30, 2009, and for the payment of bills incurred and remaining unpaid at the close of the fiscal year ending June 30, 2008; and making interfund transfers for the fiscal year July 1, 2008, to June 30, 2009.

**RESOLUTIONS REPORTED  
FROM COMMITTEE**

Senator PILEGGI, from the Committee on Rules and Executive Nominations, reported the following resolutions:

**SR 29 (Pr. No. 390)**

A Resolution commemorating the 61st anniversary of the birth of the State of Israel.

**SR 78 (Pr. No. 880)**

A Resolution recognizing May 7, 2009, as the "National Day of Prayer" in Pennsylvania and encouraging the celebration of religious freedom.

The PRESIDENT. The resolutions will be placed on the Calendar.

**SENATE RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED**

Senators TARTAGLIONE, GREENLEAF, STOUT, BAKER, LOGAN, WILLIAMS, ERICKSON, TOMLINSON, KASUNIC, DINNIMAN, BRUBAKER, WASHINGTON, ALLOWAY, MUSTO, HUGHES, RAFFERTY, PILEGGI, FONTANA, KITCHEN, PIPPY, O'PAKE, WOZNIAK, BOSCOLA, WONDERLING, BROWNE, ORIE, COSTA, STACK, D. WHITE, FARNESE, WARD and EARLL, by unanimous consent, offered **Senate Resolution No. 109**, entitled:

A Resolution honoring Pennsylvania's senior citizens by designating the month of May 2009 as "Older Americans: Living Today for a Better Tomorrow Month" in Pennsylvania.

On the question,  
Will the Senate adopt the resolution?

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from Philadelphia, Senator Tartaglione.

Senator TARTAGLIONE. Mr. President, as we begin the month of May, it is time for us to once again pay tribute to the pillars upon which American families have been built - our older Americans. Our increasing lifespan presents us with new opportunities and challenges that require us to think differently about healthcare and long-term care. We also must reexamine our current systems to adequately plan for and address the needs of current and future generations.

For the past several years, it has been my privilege to offer a resolution in the Senate to designate the month of May as "Older Americans Month" here in Pennsylvania. This year, the theme is "Older Americans: Living Today for a Better Tomorrow." I urge

all residents of this Commonwealth to honor our senior citizens and the persons who care for them during the month of May and throughout the year. By continuing to focus on prevention efforts and programs that help older adults have better health as they age, we are able to minimize the risk of chronic problems such as disease, disability, and injury.

Mr. President, I ask my colleagues to support this resolution and declare the month of May 2009 "Older Americans: Living Today for a Better Tomorrow Month" in Pennsylvania.

Thank you, Mr. President.

And the question recurring,

Will the Senate adopt the resolution?

A voice vote having been taken, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Senators ORIE, PILEGGI, PICCOLA, DINNIMAN, ALLOWAY, ARGALL, BAKER, BOSCOLA, BROWNE, COSTA, EARLL, ERICKSON, FARNESE, FERLO, FOLMER, FONTANA, GORDNER, GREENLEAF, KASUNIC, KITCHEN, McILHINNEY, PIPPY, RAFFERTY, WASHINGTON, D. WHITE, WILLIAMS and WONDERLING, by unanimous consent, offered **Senate Resolution No. 110**, entitled:

A Resolution commemorating the eighth anniversary of the Educational Improvement Tax Credit.

On the question,

Will the Senate adopt the resolution?

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from Allegheny, Senator Orie.

Senator ORIE. Mr. President, I would like to submit my remarks for the record.

The PRESIDENT. Without objection, the remarks will be spread upon the record.

*(The following prepared remarks were made part of the record at the request of the gentlewoman from Allegheny, Senator ORIE:)*

Mr. President, it is a pleasure to recognize a program that has been successful encouraging businesses to get involved in education so that our children reach their full potential. On May 7, 2001, by an overwhelming bipartisan majority, Pennsylvania made history by becoming the first State in the nation to pass an education tax credit aimed at helping companies support our schools and students. Since then, the Educational Improvement Tax Credit Program, or EITC, has provided businesses across the Commonwealth an incentive to give back to their community, all the while helping to improve education opportunities for children.

The EITC provides companies with a 75-percent tax credit for donations to a nonprofit scholarship or educational improvement organization. The tax credit increases to 90 percent if the company commits to making the donation for 2 consecutive years. That means a business can receive up to \$300,000 in tax credits annually.

According to the REACH Foundation, which helps administer the EITC, last year, 44,000 children took advantage of EITC scholarships, and public schools benefitted from innovative programs that may have otherwise gone unfunded. Over 3,600 companies have pledged in excess of \$425 million to programs that directly benefit our young people. This is a perfect example of a successful private-public partnership. Corporations participating in this program increase the educational options for Pennsylvania families.

The EITC program offers a helping hand to parents all over the State who work hard to send their children to the schools of their choice. This program both rewards businesses that make education a priority and helps support local schools.

I ask my colleagues to join me in offering our congratulations to the REACH Foundation and to the many organizations who have used the tax credit to help fund innovative education opportunities for our students. Thank you.

And the question recurring,

Will the Senate adopt the resolution?

A voice vote having been taken, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Senators ORIE, BAKER, WAUGH, ALLOWAY, BOSCOLA, BROWNE, BRUBAKER, COSTA, DINNIMAN, EARLL, ERICKSON, FARNESE, FERLO, FOLMER, FONTANA, GORDNER, GREENLEAF, KASUNIC, KITCHEN, LEACH, LOGAN, McILHINNEY, MELLOW, MUSTO, PILEGGI, PIPPY, RAFFERTY, ROBBINS, SMUCKER, STACK, STOUT, TARTAGLIONE, TOMLINSON, VOGEL, WARD, WILLIAMS, WONDERLING and YAW, by unanimous consent, offered **Senate Resolution No. 111**, entitled:

A Resolution recognizing and honoring firefighters throughout this Commonwealth for their bravery, dedication and heroism and designating May 4, 2009, as "Firefighters' Day" in Pennsylvania.

On the question,

Will the Senate adopt the resolution?

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from Allegheny, Senator Orie.

Senator ORIE. Mr. President, I would like to submit my remarks for the record.

The PRESIDENT. Without objection, the remarks will be spread upon the record.

*(The following prepared remarks were made part of the record at the request of the gentlewoman from Allegheny, Senator ORIE:)*

Mr. President, today, we mark "Firefighters' Day" in Pennsylvania, recognizing and paying tribute to our local firefighters and emergency responders and, more importantly, thanking them for all that they do to make our communities safe. Pennsylvania is the home to the first fire company in the nation, the Union Fire Company, which was started by Ben Franklin. It was in operation from 1736 to 1872 and was the predecessor to the Philadelphia Fire Department.

Today, Pennsylvania is home to approximately 2,462 volunteer fire companies, more than any in the nation. Pennsylvania's volunteer firefighters and emergency workers protect our homes and businesses, risking their lives every time they answer the call. They also save taxpayers millions by volunteering their services to the community. It is estimated that services contributed by volunteer fire companies save communities across the country \$37.2 billion per year. As the birthplace of the volunteer fire service in North America, Pennsylvania has a special obligation to support our volunteer firefighters and emergency services. I am proud of the work they do to keep our communities safe.

Finally, I would like to offer my heartfelt thanks and gratitude to our emergency services personnel for their hard work, bravery, and dedication to the community. They are true heroes, and we are fortunate that they are willing to volunteer.

Mr. President, I ask my colleagues to join me in support of "Firefighters' Day" in Pennsylvania.

And the question recurring,  
Will the Senate adopt the resolution?

A voice vote having been taken, the question was determined in the affirmative.

Senators HUGHES, TARTAGLIONE, MELLOW, STACK, PILEGGI, WASHINGTON, FONTANA, DINNIMAN, WILLIAMS, KASUNIC, RAFFERTY, BAKER, GREENLEAF, FERLO, ERICKSON, BROWNE, EARLL and ALLOWAY, by unanimous consent, offered **Senate Resolution No. 112**, entitled:

A Resolution recognizing May 2009 as "National High Blood Pressure Education Month" in Pennsylvania.

Which was read, considered, and adopted by voice vote.

Senators HUGHES, TARTAGLIONE, MELLOW, STACK, PILEGGI, WASHINGTON, FONTANA, DINNIMAN, WILLIAMS, KASUNIC, RAFFERTY, BAKER, GREENLEAF, FERLO, ERICKSON, BROWNE, EARLL and ALLOWAY, by unanimous consent, offered **Senate Resolution No. 113**, entitled:

A Resolution designating May 2009 as "Mental Health Month" in Pennsylvania.

Which was read, considered, and adopted by voice vote.

#### BILL ON FIRST CONSIDERATION

Senator YAW. Mr. President, I move that the Senate do now proceed to consideration of the bill reported from committee for the first time at today's Session.

The motion was agreed to by voice vote.

The bill was as follows:

#### SB 850.

And said bill having been considered for the first time,

Ordered, To be printed on the Calendar for second consideration.

#### PETITIONS AND REMONSTRANCES

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Montgomery, Senator Rafferty.

Senator RAFFERTY. Mr. President, I rise to congratulate the statewide FOP Lodge for today's memorial service in honor of the fallen police officers in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and I compliment all the speakers today for all the fine performances and the eloquent words that they spoke: you, Mr. President; the Governor; Senator Logan, especially about Senate Bill No. 369; Senator Stack; Speaker McCall; Representative Stern; and of course, the president of the FOP Lodge, Les Neri, who happens to be a constituent of mine. I was very honored to be there, as well, and have the opportunity to say a few words.

It was a very moving tribute and an opportunity for all of us to remember those men and women who have given their lives for us, and to also say thank you to the men and women who currently serve in law enforcement throughout the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. Senator Logan was singled out for his sponsorship of Senate Bill No. 369, which I am hopeful we can get moving shortly, which is very important to the police officers here within the Commonwealth. And I would like to take this

opportunity, Mr. President, once again, to thank the Chair for the opportunity to represent the Senate.

Thank you, Mr. President.

#### CONGRATULATORY RESOLUTIONS

The PRESIDENT laid before the Senate the following resolutions, which were read, considered, and adopted by voice vote:

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Daniel Salinas by Senator Baker.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Brittany Stoyanoff by Senator Costa.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to the National Bank of Malvern by Senator Dinniman.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Mr. and Mrs. Harold Hinderliter and to Dave L. Schelling by Senator Eichelberger.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Kathleen Farrell by Senator Greenleaf.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to the Honorable Phillip T. Krivacek by Senator Logan.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to the Reverend Sandra Reed, Barbara Kuehmstedt, Edwina Fluke, Brian Hall, Marianne Finnegan, Eileen Moser, Rosanne Ball, Joan Greenberg, Gloria Brown, Judy Heath and to Tincum Elementary School of Pipersville by Senator McIlhinney.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Patricia Degan, Arthur Bloom and to Diane Whittaker by Senators McIlhinney and Tomlinson.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Barry Stupine and to Sean Michael Flannery by Senator O'Pake.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Jennifer Arnold by Senator Orie.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Kevin Lee Brehm, David W. Hayes, Duane Edward Nieves, Scott Breen and to Marilyn G. Kranzel by Senator Vance.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to the New Castle Junior/Senior High School Project Ignition Team by Senator Vogel.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Burns by Senator D. White.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Cheryl A. Lovelace by Senator Williams.

#### CONDOLENCE RESOLUTIONS

The PRESIDENT laid before the Senate the following resolutions, which were read, considered, and adopted by voice vote:

Condolences of the Senate were extended to the family of the late Harrison Ridley, Jr., by Senator Hughes.

Condolences of the Senate were extended to the family of the late Stephen M. Hrin, Jr., by Senator McIlhinney.

Condolences of the Senate were extended to the family of the late Richard H. May by Senators McIlhinney and Wonderling.

Condolences of the Senate were extended to the family of the late Mack Henry Brooker, Jr., by Senator Williams.

#### POSTHUMOUS CITATION

The PRESIDENT laid before the Senate the following citation, which was read, considered, and adopted by voice vote:

A posthumous citation honoring the late Charles Cassidy was extended to the family by Senator Tartaglione.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE SECRETARY

The following announcements were read by the Secretary of the Senate:

#### SENATE OF PENNSYLVANIA

#### COMMITTEE MEETINGS

#### MONDAY, MAY 4, 2009

Off the Floor	APPROPRIATIONS (to consider Senate Bill No. 850)	Room 461 Main Capitol
Off the Floor	RULES AND EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS (to consider Senate Resolutions No. 29 and 78; and certain executive nominations)	Rules Cmte. Conf. Rm.

#### TUESDAY, MAY 5, 2009

9:30 A.M.	ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES AND ENERGY (to consider Senate Bills No. 297, 617, 783 and 829; and House Bills No. 262 and 263)	Room 8E-B East Wing
10:00 A.M.	BANKING AND INSURANCE (public hearing to accept testimony on the Long Term Care Partnership Program; and to consider House Bills No. 84 and 1089)	Room 461 Main Capitol
10:00 A.M.	URBAN AFFAIRS AND HOUSING (public hearing on blighted property and Senate Bill No. 1291 of 2008)	Hrg. Rm. 1 North Off.
11:00 A.M.	VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS (to consider Senate Bills No. 196 and 303; Senate Resolutions No. 32 and 108; and House Bill No. 718)	Room 8E-B East Wing
11:30 A.M.	JUDICIARY (to consider Senate Bills No. 220, 264 and 746; and Senate Resolution No. 52; will also hear a presentation from Marissa Bluestine, Legal Director of the PA Innocence Project, on the newly established Innocence Project) <b>C A N C E L L E D</b>	Room 8E-B East Wing
12:00 P.M.	GAME AND FISHERIES (public hearing to afford the Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Commission the opportunity to present its 2008 annual report)	Room 8E-A Main Capitol
12:30 P.M.	APPROPRIATIONS (to consider Senate Bills No. 6, 81 and 383)	Room 461 Main Capitol

#### WEDNESDAY, MAY 13, 2009

9:00 A.M.	BANKING AND INSURANCE (public briefing with the Hospital Association of PA and the PA Medical Society on proposals to retire the MCare fund)	Maj. Caucus Room 156 Main Capitol
9:00 A.M.	COMMUNICATIONS AND TECHNOLOGY (public hearing to consider Senate Bills No. 621 and 623)	Room 8E-B East Wing
1:30 P.M.	EDUCATION (public hearing to consider Alternative Education Funding and Standards)	Polaris School 740 Willow St. Lebanon, PA

#### THURSDAY, MAY 14, 2009

10:00 A.M.	URBAN AFFAIRS AND HOUSING (public hearing on community revitalization in times of budget stress)	Pottsville City Hall Council Chm.
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### RECESS

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Delaware, Senator Pileggi.

Senator PILEGGI. Mr. President, I move that the Senate do now recess until Tuesday, May 5, 2009, at 1 p.m., Eastern Daylight Saving Time.

The motion was agreed to by voice vote.

The Senate recessed at 3:52 p.m., Eastern Daylight Saving Time.